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September 24, 2003

Commissioner For Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: Applicant(s): Robert J. Small  
Assignee: EKC Technology, Inc.  
Title: Chemical-Mechanical Planarization Using Ozone  
Application No.: 09/783,069 Filing Date: February 13, 2001  
Examiner: Thao P. Le Group Art Unit: 2818  
Docket No.: CHEM.010US0 Conf. No.: 3260

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents in the above-identified application:

- (1) Return Receipt Postcard;
- (2) This Transmittal Letter (in duplicate – 1 page); and
- (3) *Ex Parte Quayle* Amendment (5 pages).

- ☒ No additional fee is required.  
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Independent Claims	2	Minus	3	=	0	x	\$84.00	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fee of _____ for the first filing of one or more multiple dependent claims per application							\$	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fee for Petition for Extension of Time							\$	
<b>Total additional fee for this Amendment:</b>								\$	0.00

- ☒ Conditional Petition for Extension of Time: If an extension of time is required for timely filing of the enclosed document(s) after all papers filed with this transmittal have been considered, an extension of time is hereby requested.
- ☒ Please charge any additional fees required and credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 502664.

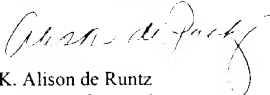
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**EX PARTE QUAYLE AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This is in response to a non-final office action mailed August 7, 2003 and setting a shortened statutory period for response that expires on October 7, 2003. In view of this *Ex Parte Quayle* amendment and the remarks below, reconsideration is respectfully requested.

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